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For : A METHOD FOR THE EXPRESSION AND PURIFICATION OF A PROTEIN
USING BUDDED BACULOVIRUS

RECORD OF INTERVIEWS

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Sir:

Applicants hereby confirm a November 28, 2005 telephone conversation with Examiner Housel and further conversations with Examiner Salvoza and Examiner Housel relating to above-identified application.

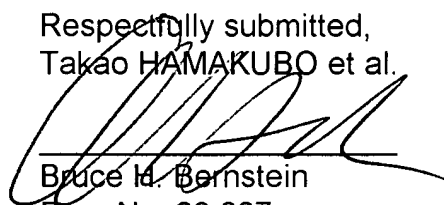
In particular, Applicants express appreciation for the courtesies extended by the examiners during telephone discussions regarding the application and the Final Office Action mailed November 15, 2005 with Applicants' representative Arnold Turk. During these telephone conversations, substance regarding the rejections was not discussed. Applicants' representative indicated that in contrast to the indication in the Final Office Action, the claims were amended in the manner as previously agreed. Moreover, it was indicated that the rejection improperly referenced a document in the body of the

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rejection without including the document in the preamble of the rejection. Moreover, it was indicated that while the Office Action indicated that Fields, *Virology*, Third Edition, Volume 1, p.539 is attached, a copy was not attached with the Office Action. Examiner Housel initially indicated that the Final Office Action would be reviewed, and during later telephone conversations the undersigned was informed that the application would be allowed with no response to the Final Office Action being required by Applicants.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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